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1. THE EC EACH YEAR PUTS TOGETHER A LIST OF QUOTAS TO BE APPLIED UNILATERALLY ON IMPORTS INTO ITS MEMBER STATES FROM EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. THE CURRENT LIST, APPLICABLE FOR 1976, FORMS AN ATTACHEMENT TO REF E. THE FINAL LIST AS APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL IS PUBLISHED IN THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL, VOLUME 18, NO. L-332 OF DECEMBER 29, 1975, COPIES OF WHICH ARE REGULARLY TRANSMITTED TO RPE AND OPR/LR.

2. IN ADDITION TO THESE GENERAL IMPORT CONTROLS, THE EC HAS BEEN FACED RECENTLY WITH NUMEROUS REQUESTS FOR RELIEF FROM LOW COST IMPORTS FROM EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. A LIST OF ANTI-DUMPING COMPLAINTS INCLUDING THOSE AGAINST EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES HAS BEEN POUCHEO TO EUR/RPE AND EB/STA. FURTHER INFORMATION ON THESE ANTI-DUMPING COMPLAINTS AND ON THE COMMUNITY'S USE OF GATT CONSULTATIONS UNDER PARA 4 OF THE PROTOCOL OF ACCESSION FOR ROMANIA, HUNGARY, AND POLAND ARE CONTAINED IN REFS C AND D.

3. THERE HAVE BEEN NO RECENT COMMUNITY COUNTERVAILING DUTY INVESTIGATIONS ON PRODUCTS FROM EASTERN EUROPE.

4. GENERAL COMMUNITY MEASURES TAKEN TO PROTECT DOMESTIC AGRICULTURAL PRODUCERS HAVE HAD CONSEQUENCES FOR EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. THIS HAS BEEN PARTICULARLY TRUE OF THE BEEF IMPORT BAN AND LATER VARIATIONS THEREON.

5. COMMISSION AND MEMBER STATE SOURCES REPEATEDLY TELL US THAT THEIR PROXIMITY TO EASTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES AND THE LATTERS' TENDENCY TO RESORT TO DUMPING OF PRODUCTS FOR WHICH THERE IS NO DEMAND AT REASONABLE PRICES IS AN INCREASINGLY DIFFICULT MANAGERIAL PROBLEM. THE COMMUNITY AIM IS TO DEVELOP CONSULTATIVE PROCEDURES WITH THE EAST EUROPEANS, PARTICULARLY THE GATT MEMBERS, WHICH WOULD ALLEVIATE THE INDIVIDUAL PROBLEMS AND ENCOURAGE EAST EUROPEAN OFFICIALS TO MARKET MORE RESPONSIBLY IN THE WEST. HINTON

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